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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: HILGREN ET AL. Examiner: J. PAK
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Title: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR INHIBITION OF MICROBIAL
GROWTH IN AQUEOUS FOOD TRANSPORT AND PROCESS
STREAMS

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 1, 2001, said period of response being extended from November 1, 2001 to February 1, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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